

**MINUTES**  
**Speech-Language Pathology Audiology Board**  
**May 11, 2006**  
**Room 4B - Fourth Floor - Heber Wells Bldg.**  
**160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah**

**CONVENED:** 9:38

**ADJOURNED:** 10:30

**PRESENT:**

Clyde Ormond, Bureau Manager  
Jacky Adams, Board Secretary

Board Members:

Anne Elswailer                      Bonnie Rice

**ABSENT:**

Walter Cox                      Patricia Anderson

**GUESTS:**

Craig Jackson, Division Director; Bryan J Layton, Utah  
Speech–Language & Hearing Association, President

**TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION**

**DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

**ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:**

Minutes

The minutes from the last meeting were tabled for the next meeting – due to a lack of a quorum.

Elect a New Board Chairman

This issue was tabled until the on September 20, 2006 meeting.

**HEARINGS/DISCIPLINARY:**

9:30 a.m. Indira Kaluarachchi

Ms. Kaluarachchi appeared before the board for her scheduled appointment. Mr. Ormond reviewed her Stipulation and Order, noting she is required to obtain 20 CE (Continuing Education) hours relating to the proper practice of audiology and ethics, which must be approved by the board. Ms. Kaluarachchi submitted a letter explaining she would like to either complete courses offered online from ASHA (American Speech and Hearing Association), or read several articles relating to this profession, in order to obtain the required CE hours. Ms. Elswailer asked Mr. Ormond if reading articles would be acceptable. Mr. Ormond reviewed R156-41-304 (3), and then explained he did not feel this would meet the requirements, because there would be no certificate showing proof she had completed the courses.

Ms. Kaluarachchi then asked if she could complete her CE requirements before the next meeting, could she be released early from her probation. Mr. Ormond explained this would be decided at the next meeting. Ms. Kaluarachchi will meet with the board again on September 20, 2006 at 9:30 a.m.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

Review Qualifications for Licensure  
re: Doctorate Degree

Mr. Bryan J Layton, President of the USHA (Utah Speech–Language & Hearing Association) addressed the board regarding what actions have been taken concerning changing the Statute to require a Doctorate Degree for licensure within this profession. He stated AAA (American Academy of Audiology) is requesting all states to conform to their new requirements, by January 1, 2007. Universities and Colleges will no longer be offering a Masters degree only a Doctorate. And they are also requesting all states to offer a Grandfathering Clause to allow those who are currently licensed to remain licensed. Mr. Ormond asked how AAA is suggesting the states handle the CFY (Clinical Fellowship Year), and the length of time it will take an applicant to become licensed. Mr. Layton, stated AAA is suggesting a 4 -year externship, under the direct supervision of a licensed Speech-Language Pathologist/Audiologist be added to replace the CFY. Ms. Elswiler asked how this would impact the applicant if they need to go through an externship, which is not usually paid. Mr. Layton commented he felt this should be a paid externship. He also mentioned, a problem with an externship is that some insurance companies will not pay if the student is not licensed.

This issue will be placed on the Agenda for the September 20, 2006 meeting, for further discussion. Mr. Bryan J Layton and Ms. Vicki Simons Meier will both be invited at that time to update the Board and Division on the progress.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

American Academy of Audiology Now! 2006  
National Council of State Board Examiners  
ASHA Memo: ASHA Receives International  
Recognition  
NCSB Licensure Bulletin – Spring 2006  
CASLPO Today Magazine

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**NEXT MEETING:**

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DATE APPROVED

(ss) Walter Cox  
CHAIRPERSON, SPEECH LANGUAGE  
PATHOLOGY/ AUDIOLOGY LICENSING BOARD

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(ss) Clyde Ormond  
BUREAU MANAGER, DIVISION OF  
OCCUPATIONAL & PROFESSIONAL LICENSING